

House Resolution No.

Whereas, it is with great pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize the meritorious achievements of an outstanding Missouri citizen who has distinguished himself through excellence in amateur sports; and

Whereas, John Rufkahr, Sr., will be inducted into the St. Charles County Amateur Sports Hall of Fame during its induction ceremony on January 26, 2002; and

Whereas, John Rufkahr distinguished himself in baseball and fast pitch softball for more than a quarter century, during which time he was a player, coach, baseball manager, and softball outfielder for several championship teams including the St. Charles Browns, the Moose Club, and the American Legion, just to name a few; and

Whereas, with a batting average over .400 during four years of high school, it is no surprise that John Rufkahr helped coach St. Paul, whose members included his two sons, Ken and John Rufkahr, Jr., to their only EMBA championship beating C&H in two straight games in 1971; and

Whereas, John Rufkahr received the St. Charles Junior Baseball's prestigious Claude Jacobs Award for his efforts of managing, umpiring, and soliciting managers, and the Man of the Year award for his dedication to the Boys & Girls Club of St. Charles; and

Whereas, John Rufkahr is a devoted leader and sportsman who has made many noteworthy contributions to the exciting world of amateur sports; and

Whereas, John Rufkahr proudly joins his sister, Ann Smith, and two brothers, Norbert and Ben Rufkahr, as a member of the St. Charles County Amateur Sports Hall of Fame:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty and robust congratulations to John Rufkahr upon his well-deserved induction into the St. Charles County Amateur Sports Hall of Fame and in wishing him only the best in the challenging years ahead; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for John Rufkahr, Sr., as a measure of our esteem for him.

Offered by _____
Representative Tom Dempsey
District No. 18

I, Jim Kreider, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. ____, adopted ____, 2002.

Jim Kreider, Speaker

